## **SGIP**announcement

### Friday, January 13, 2012

# Steve Widergren Re-elected as Plenary Chair by SGIP Governing Board



During an Executive Session at the conclusion of yesterday's Governing Board meeting, the Board members re-elected Steve Widergren as the SGIP Plenary Chair. Steve will continue to lead the SGIP in executing the tactical aspects of the organization.

#### This includes:

- Facilitating SGIP meetings, by establishing meeting schedules, agendas, and business to be conducted and by coordinating speakers to lead presentations and discussions.
- Fostering an open, collaborative atmosphere at SGIP conferences and meetings, including mediating and managing disputes.
- Assigning and tracking SGIP action items, risks, and issues and reporting on the progress to SGIP Governing Board and members.

Mr. Widergren was initially elected by the SGIP Governing Board for his first two-year term in January 2010. Steve is currently a principal engineer at Pacific Northwest National Laboratory. He was the founding Administrator for the GridWise Architecture Council — a group formed to enable interoperability of automated systems related to the electric system. His prior experience includes working at ESCA, now ALSTOM Grid, an electricity control center supplier, and at American Electric Power, and interning at Pacific Gas and Electric. In these positions, he engineered and managed energy management systems products for electric power operations and supported power system computer applications. Application areas include information modeling, SCADA systems, and power system reliability assessment tools.

Steve received his BS and MS degrees in electrical engineering from the University of California, Berkeley. He is an editor of the *IEEE Transactions on Power Systems* and participates in standards efforts that bridge power engineering with information technology.

Steve's term begins today and expires at the first Governing Board meeting in 2014.

### Congratulations, Steve!

REMINDER: The first Plenary meeting of the year is next Friday, Jan. 20<sup>th</sup>. To attend, <u>click here</u>.

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